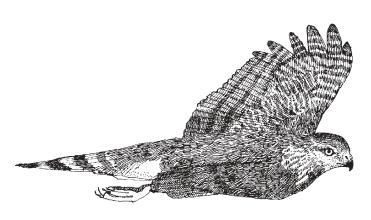
2006 Spring/Summer Interpretive Programs Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge



Bird Walks

Pea Island is for the birds-literally! Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge is home to nearly 400 species of birds. Come out and meet our summer residents. We welcome all bird enthusiasts on our walks. Whether you're a beginner or an expert, you'll enjoy this casual stroll beside North Pond. Field guides, binoculars, sunscreen, and insect repellent recommended, although some field guides and binoculars will be available for participants.

January 6 to March 31 Fridays
April 5 to November 3 Wednesdays,
Thursdays and Fridays

November 16 to December 1 Thursdays and Fridays

8-9:30am at Pea Island Visitor Center

Soundside Discovery

What lived in those shells? What's that slimy stuff? What is it like to be a crab? Kids can discover the answers to these questions and many more through hands-on exploration of the Pamlico Sound. Come pull the seine net, and see what we catch! Wading shoes are required; sunscreen and hats recommended for this wet and wild activity. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

June 1 to August 31 Thursdays 2:30-3:30pm at New Inlet; 2 miles south of Visitor Center

Turtle Talk

Why are sea turtles endangered? What can you do to save these gentle giants? Learn more about the lives of sea turtles and their conservation at this presentation for all ages.

June 6 to August 29 Tuesdays

2:30-3:30pm Pea Island Visitor Center

Raptor Rapture

Birds of prey have special adaptations and behaviors that make them efficient hunters. Learn about the raptors that call the refuge home and their techniques for survival. Bug repellent, sunscreen, and water recommended. **June 7 to August 30** Wednesdays 2:30-3:30pm, Pea Island Visitor Center

Family Canoe Tour

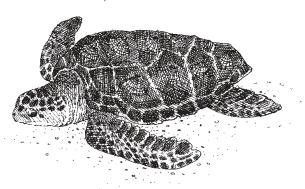
Designed especially for kids, this tour includes lots of wading and hands-on exploration. \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Wading shoes are required. Hats, sunscreen, and drinking water are recommended. Reservations are required. Call 252-987-2394. Co-sponsored by the Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society.

May 5 to May 26 Fridays
May 31 to August 30 Wednesdays and Fridays
September 1 to October 27 Fridays
10am to 12pm at New Inlet (2 miles south of the Visitor Center)

Pea Island Canoe Tour

Visit the quiet side of Pea Island. Explore the marshes, islands, and creeks of Pamlico Sound. Look for birds, crabs, terrapins, skates, and more!! \$35 for adults and \$20 for children 12 and under. Wading shoes are required. Hats, sunscreen, and drinking water are recommended. Reservations are required. Call 252-987-2394. Co-sponsored by the Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society.

May 4 to May 25 Thursdays
June 1 to August 31 Tuesdays and Thursdays
September 7 to October 26 Thursdays
9am to 12pm at New Inlet (2 miles south of
Visitor Center)



Where the Sea Meets the Land. . . and Man

Come explore the beach near Oregon Inlet on a beach walk with the North Carolina Coastal Federation. Local naturalists will talk about the natural processes of barrier island movement and the creatures that live in the shifting sands. We'll also examine—first hand—attempts by humans to draw a line in the sand and keep the ocean from passing. Please register by calling 252-473-1607.

Wednesdays June 7 and 21; July 5 and 19; August 2, 16, and 30

9-10:30am Parking Lot south of Oregon Inlet Bridge

Note: If you need special assistance to participate in any program, please contact the refuge at least two weeks before your visit.

2006 Spring/Summer Interpretive Programs Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge



Bear Necessities

Alligator River is home to the largest population of black bears in eastern North Carolina and one of the largest in the eastern United States! Learn more about our largest mammal and what makes the Refuge such a good home for these animals. After the presentation, tour the Wildlife Drive to look for bears and other wildlife.

June 7 to August 30 Wednesdays 6-7:30pm Creef Cut Wildlife Trail parking lot

Purple Martin Madness

The Outer Banks is home to one of the largest purple martin roosts in the eastern US. Although our roost of 100,000 martins is not on Alligator River Refuge, the refuge lands and the water systems surrounding it support this spectacular roost of migratory birds. Come see 100,000 martins in flight over Croatan Sound and learn more about the fascinating lives of these birds and why they roost here. Visit www.purplemartinroost.com to learn more. Cosponsored by Purple Martin Roost Project. Meet at the parking lot in Manteo right before the eastern end of the old Manns Harbor/HWY 64 bridge. Look for the purple martin flag.

July 13 to August 3 Thursdays 7:00pm

Red Wolf Howling Safari

Alligator River staff offer you the experience of a lifetime! Come and learn about red wolves and participate in a "howling." The program will occur except with lightning, heavy wind or rain, or impassable road conditions. Decision to cancel will be made no later than 1 1/2 hours before program. Programs are free: registration is required. Meet at Creef Cut Wildlife Trail parking lot. Visit www.redwolves.com or call 252-796-5600 to register.

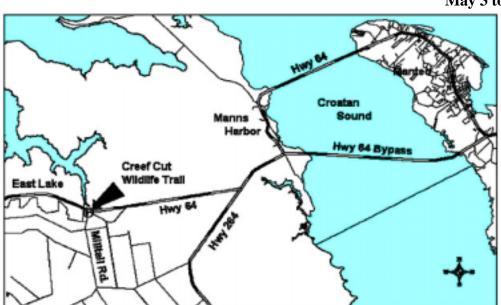
Saturday April 22, 7:30pm Wednesday June 14, 8pm Wednesday June 21, 8pm Wednesday June 28, 8pm Wednesday July 5, 8pm Wednesday July 12, 8pm Wednesday July 19, 8pm Wednesday July 26, 8pm Wednesday August 2, 7:30pm Wednesday August 9, 7:30pm Wednesday August 16, 7:30pm Wednesday August 23, 7:30pm Wednesday August 30,7:30pm Wednesday September 6, 7:30pm Saturday October 21, 6pm Saturday October 28, 6pm Saturday December 9, 5pm

Alligator River Canoe Tour

Really get out into the wild! The Milltail Creek Canoe Trail system takes you deep into the heart of the Alligator River Refuge. Paddle the shady blackwater canals; watch and listen for the Refuge's secretive wildlife. \$35 for adults and \$20 for children 12 and under. Wading shoes, hats, sunscreen, bug repellent, and drinking water are recommended. Reservations are required. Call 252-987-2394. Cosponsored by the Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society.

May 3 to May 31 Wednesdays

June 2 to September 1
Wednesdays and Fridays
September 6 to October 25
Wednesdays
9am-12pm South end of
Buffalo City Road (off US
Hwy 64 in East Lake)



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